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In re: Welch et al. Serial No.: 09/889,6

Filed: January 24, 20

AINING LIQUIDS For: TREATING PROTEING

Confirmation No. 8639 Group Art Unit: 1648 Examiner: Ulrike Winkler

July 26, 2004

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

| 1.     | This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of two (2) months to |
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| respon | to the final Official Action dated February 24, 2004.                               |

2. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested: is filed herewith. has been filed.

3. Applicant:

Claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

Does not claim small entity status.

Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)-(d)): 4.

|                        | Total Months | Fee For Other     | Fee for             |
|------------------------|--------------|-------------------|---------------------|
|                        | Requested    | Than Small Entity | <b>Small Entity</b> |
|                        | one month    | \$110.00          | \$55.00             |
| $\overline{\boxtimes}$ | two months   | \$420.00          | \$210.00            |
|                        | three months | \$950.00          | \$475.00            |
|                        | four months  | \$1,480.00        | \$740.00            |
|                        | five months  | \$2,010.00        | \$1,005.00          |
|                        |              |                   |                     |

Fee Due \$420.00

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| $\boxtimes$ | A check including the amount of the fee is enclosed.  |
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|             | Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038) is enclosed.   |
| $\boxtimes$ | Charge Deposit Account No. 50-0220 for any additional extension and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid |

Respectfully submitted

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